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## SECNAV Navy Birthday Message

Our Navy has been busy over the last year. Whenever or whenever the fleet has been needed -- from the Taiwan Strait to the Adriatic, from the Middle East to the Caribbean, even on the ground in Bosnia -- our Sailors have been there ensuring peace and stability around the world. Today, 221 years since its founding in October 1775, the United States Navy sails proudly as the world's sole naval superpower.

America's Navy, through its strength and forward persence, continues to be the most effective weapon in our nation's diplomatic arsenal. Our ships sail in every ocean on the globe against tyranny and injustice, flexing the muscles of democracy and freedom in support of and in defense of America's interests, ideals, and allies.

As the Navy begins its 222nd year, we continue to build on our hallowed traditions and proud heritage. We will prepare for an uncertain future by exploring new technologies and integrating them into our weapons systems and battle plans. We will also con-

tinue to invest in improved training and quality of lift programs for our most important assets: you, our sailors, the life of the fleet.

Whether building bridges in the mud of Bosnia, sifting through the wreckage of TWA Flight 800, flying into the volatile skies of the no-fly zone above Iraq, running silent and deep, or launching tomahawk missiles or ordnance-laden aircraft from your decks, you the Officers and Sailors of the U.S. Navy, have proven that we can do more with less. As you continue to sail in harm's way to carry on our traditions of victory, know that you enjoy the support of a grateful, nation which recognizes and appreciates your everyday heroics and selfless service both at sea and at home.

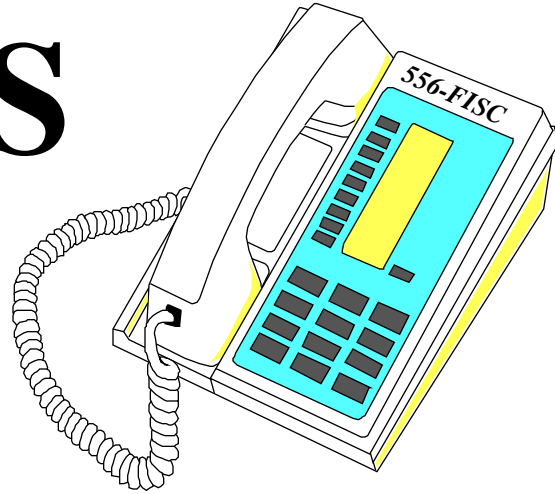
America has, today, "The best damn Navy in the world," and its future is in the hands of the best Sailors who have ever served at sea or ashore. I salute you all, and consider it a privilege above all others to serve as your Secretary. Happy Birthday, Navy! God bless you all.

JOHN H. DALTON

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# PHONE #S



## Broadway HQs

Comm (619) + ext or DSN 522 + ext	
Commanding Officer	532-2203
Executive Officer	532-2202
Customer Services Officer	532-2099
Administration	532-2015
TQL Coordinator	532-1689
Training	532-2038
Public Affairs "FLASH"	532-1931
Security	532-3302
Safety	532-2642

## Naval Station San Diego

Comm (619) + ext or DSN 526 + ext	
Site Director	556-0399
Customer Services Officer	556-0401
Customer Info Center	556-FISC(3472)
SERVMART Store	556-2795
SERVMART OPS	556-3687
SKCM	556-0412
FAX	556-0436/7

## SIMA San Diego

COMM (619) + ext or DSN 526	
Site Director	556-2138
Customer Services Officer	556-6441
Customer Services	556-2163
FAX	556-2156
Purchase	556-2147
Area Delivery	556-1902/1904

## NAS North Island

Comm (619) + ext or DSN 735	
Site Director	545-3718
Customer Services Officer	545-2965
Customer Services	545-2965
FAX	545-5565/4501
Purchase	545-4139
SERVMART Store	545-9968
ATAC HUB	545-8376
Area Delivery	556-0440
Shipping/Packing	545-7448

## NADEP North Island

Comm (619) + ext or DSN 735	
Industrial Support Div.	545-4142
E2/C2, VRT, Field Srvc.	545-0701
F/A-18	545-2441
Engines/Components	545-4658
Avionics	545-5091
Dynamic Components	545-4637
Manufacturing, Mobile Facil.	545-3202

HAZMAT	545-0474
Mat. Anlys. Plant Srvc.	545-4159
Recds, Recon, AVDLR Mgmt.	545-4163
Material Mgmt.	545-4118
NIF Stores	545-4256
Warehousing Suppt. Rec.	545-2399
Pre-expended Bin	545-3293

## NAS Miramar

Comm (619) + ext or DSN 577	
Supply Officer	537-1946
Customer Service	537-1489
Purchase	537-1499
SERVMART Store	537-1804
Shipping	537-1400
Receiving	537-1403
HAZMIN Center	537-6770

## Naval Station Long Beach

Comm (310) + ext or DSN 360 + ext	
Customer Services	980-6636
Purchase	980-6581

## Pt Loma Complex

Comm (619) + ext or DSN 533	
Fuel	553-1315
Purchase	553-8627

## Miscellaneous

Duty Officer	556-0421
FISC Contracts	532-3442
Voice Response Status	532-2280
Provisions	556-0408/9
Medical Liaison Officer	556-0445
Fleet On-Line Assistance	556-FISC
DMAT (beeper)	982-0542
HAZMAT	556-6121
Personal Property	556-6683
Consolidated Mail	532-2803
FMS	556-0407

## MCAS El Toro

Comm (714) + ext or DSN 997 + ext  
Customer Service 726-3942  
SERVMART Store 726-3777  
FAX 726-3272  
Duty Officer 726-3858

## MCAS Yuma

Comm (520) + ext or DSN 951 + ext  
Customer Service 341-2095  
FAX 341-2288  
Supply Officer 341-2722  
Customer Services Officer 341-2925  
SERVMART Store 341-2636  
Lead Enlisted/Cust. Service 341-3403  
Station Duty Off. (after hours) 341-2252

## FISC DET Ingleside TX

Comm (512) + ext DSN 776 + ext.  
Customer Service 776-4514  
Supply Officer 776-4174  
SERVMART Store 776-4505  
FAX 776-4519

## NAWS China Lake

Comm (619) + ext or DSN 437 + ext  
Customer Service 939-3747/3748  
Supply Officer 939-2997  
FAX 939-5524

## Other Useful Numbers

DSO 455-1070  
DSO FAX 455-7066  
Food Mgmt. Team 556-5651/2  
DPPSO 556-7148  
556-7159  
DRMO 437-9446  
NAVMTO SD DET 545-8378  
NAVMTO DSN 564-8300  
564-7381  
Comm 804-444-8300/7381  
QUICKTRANS 435-0143  
NEXCOM Fleet Assist 556-5725  
NFMT 556-5652  
CNSP Expeditors 556-1766  
CNSP SDO 437-3333  
PWC Crane/Forklift 556-7622  
PWC Dispatch 556-7606  
ASO/SPCC DSN 430-3500  
Comm 717-790-2691/3155  
S9C DSN 850-2271/3191  
S9T DSN 444-3043/3042  
NFZ DSN 442-0160  
S9G DSN 695-4865  
S9I DSN 442-2336

# DDDC

Defense Distribution Depot

## DDDC-

Comm (619) + ext or DSN 526

D	Commander	CDR W. D. Dolan	556-7930
DD	Deputy Dir.	D. Wood	556-7930
S	Storage	M. Inge	556-8456
E	Receiving	LT K. Smith	556-8535
EM	MTIS	C. Lawson	556-7902
T	Transptn	LCDR B. Williams	556-8455
TD	Shipping	M. Sammons	556-7853
Y	LB Facility	W. Poindexter	80-360-6020

## Fax Machine Numbers

DDDC-D	(Bldg. 322). . . . .	556-7942
DDDC-E	(Bldg. 3304). . . . .	556-8520
DDDC-S	(Bldg. 65). . . . .	556-7868
DDDC-SM	(Bldg. 3304). . . . .	556-9368
DDDC-T	(Bldg. 65). . . . .	556-7868
DDDC-TD	(Bldg. 3304). . . . .	556-7854

MESSAGE ADDRESS: DDDC SAN DIEGO CA

## Reminder...

Contact FISC San Diego Customer Information Center (CIC) at COMM (619) 556-FISC or DSN 526-3472 for supply information such as requisition status, stock checks, shipping status (including transshipments), delivery and general supply questions. Voice net DSN 522-2280 or COMM (619) 532-2280.

## FISC HOURS OF OPERATIONS

### SERVMARTS

NavSta San Diego	M-F	0900	1500
	SAT	0900	1300
NAS North Island	M-F	0900	1500
NAS Miramar	M-F	0900	1500
MCAS El Toro	M-F	0800	1500
MCAS Yuma	M-F	0730	1430

### CUSTOMER SERVICES

NavSta Site	M-SAT	0700	2400
	SUN	0700	2000
NI Site	M-F	0730	1600
Long Beach	M-F	0715	1545

### PROCUREMENT

All sites	M-F	0730	1600
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## Tips From the Customer Information Center (CIC)

If you are calling the Customer Information Center (CIC) for the first time, please have the following information available:

- Your command's UIC (unit identification code)
- Your rank and your last name
- Telephone number where you can be reached, and
- The reason for your call (i.e., standard/non-standard status, stock info, shipping information, delivery, ATAC, ICP request, etc.)

At the time of your call, a **call number** will be assigned.

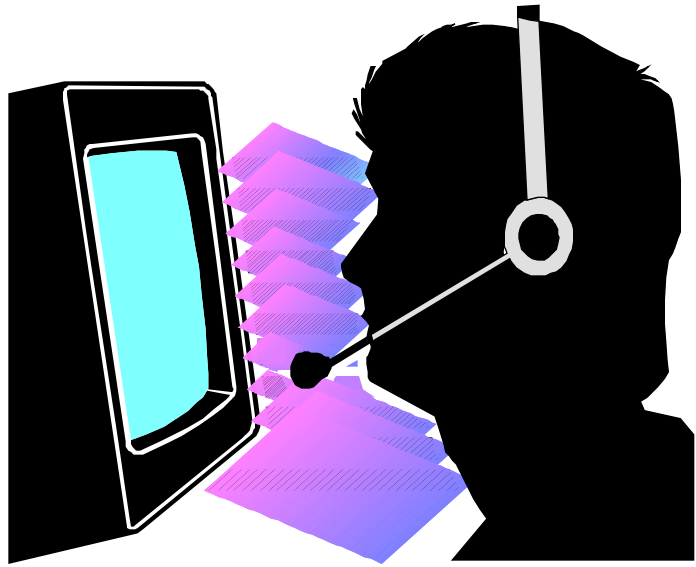
If you are placing a **follow up** call, please make sure you inform the CIC representative of your **call number**. **Follow up** calls already have a **call number** which was previously assigned by the CIC representative.

If you don't remember or have your **call number** available, no problem... the CIC representative can find it by researching your document number.

The importance of the **call number** is to prevent you from repeating the reason for your inquiry over again.

The CIC will keep YOU updated every month with more tips.

Please keep us in mind... **THE ONE STOP SHOP** commercial number is: (619) 556-3472 DSN 526-3472. We have twelve (12) CIC representatives gladly waiting for the phones to ring.



## USS TARAWA Returns Home From Six-Month Deployment

USS TARAWA (NWSA) -- USS TARAWA (LHA 1) recently turned home following a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific and Arabian Gulf.

The amphibious assault ship has been the flagship for Commander, Amphibious Squadron 3. Tarawa has supported operations in the 3rd, 5th and 7th Fleets, and participated in numerous bilateral exercises with regional allies.

The cruise began on April 19 with a month-long transit of the Pacific Ocean followed by participation in Exercise Cobra Gold off Thailand. Crew members visited Singapore after the exercise, then celebrated the ship's 20th birthday on May 29 while en route to Phuket, Thailand, for liberty.

TARAWA traveled up the Red Sea into the Gulf of Aqaba to participate in joint operations with the Royal Armed Forces of Jordan in Exercise Infinite Moonlight.

In mid-July, TARAWA transited the Strait of Hormuz and entered the Arabian Gulf. Other exercises like Rugged Nautilus, Red Reef and a Marine Expeditionary Unit exercise held in Kuwait, were interspersed with port calls in Bahrain, Kuwait and Jebel Ali in the United Arab Emirates.

TARAWA participated in Operation Desert Strike,

then remained on station in the Arabian Gulf.

When the ship departed the Arabian Gulf, it made port calls in the Philippine Islands and Hawaii.

The ship logged more than 16,000 incident-free aircraft launches and recoveries, and traveled approximately 32,000 nautical miles.

## NAVSUP Corporate Values

■ **Customer Focus:** We are devoted to serving our customers exceeding their expectations.

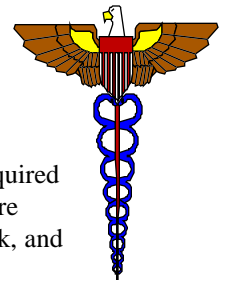
■ **Employee Excellence:** We are committed to our employees and to their development, participation and recognition.

■ **Quality Products & Services:** The products and services we deliver are always the best.

■ **Innovative & Responsive:** We constantly explore new ideas and methods in order to increase our effectiveness.

■ **Teaming for Success:** We aggressively seek effective partnerships to improve our quality.

# Medical Corner



## 12 Months With Pierside Prime Vendor (PV) at FISC....

A year has lapsed since FISC San Diego started ordering medicines for the ships through PV. We acquired nearly 7,000 line items worth \$447,416 for 78 different ships and shore commands. All our customers were pleased with the 24-hour delivery, longer shelf-life, easy method of resolving discrepancies, less paper work, and cost savings.

To verify savings, we looked at the top 25 purchased items and compared PV, depot and open market costs: We spent \$159,157 (35% of the total purchases) for these 25 items. If we bought these medicines from the depot we would have paid \$204,645 (\$45,488 more!) and through open market we would have spent \$346,598.62 (or \$187,441 more !!!). Savings, indeed, is a reality in Prime Vendor.

In anticipation of medical and surgical supplies being deleted from the depot's inventory, FISC started Medical-Surgical (MEDSURG) Prime Vendor in June 1996. Twenty eight different ships have already used the program since.

FISC-San Diego will continue to serve the fleet with Pierside PV until the Fleet Prime Vendor Program is implemented by Defense Personnel Support Center (DPSC). For additional information, please call LCDR R. U. Orias, or Peggy Nelson at DSN 526-0445/0443 or (619) 556-0445/0443.

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Additional medicines with matching FSNs and PV numbers are readily available for procurement:

6505

<u>NIIN</u>	<u>Generic Name</u>	<u>Brand Name</u>	<u>PV#</u>	<u>U/P</u>
00-117-6138	Sulfisoxazole .5gm 100s	Gantrisin Tabs	1186840	6.20
00-782-6762	Ethosuximide 250mg 100s	Zarontin Caps	1395235	44.86
01-010-4170	Fentanyl Citrate	Sublimaze .1mg Amp	1115484	4.58
01-073-1316	Fentanyl Citrate	Sublimaze .25mg 5ml	1115492	5.35
01-112-1888	Methyl Salicylate Oint	Analgesic Balm 1oz	1214022	0.53
01-112-1889	Methyl Sal. Greaseless	Analgesic Balm 1oz	2152841	0.76
01-113-8580	Ferrous Sulfate Tab UD	Ferrous Sulfate 100s	1784057	1.67
01-118-2016	Etidronate Disodium Tab	Didronel 200mg 60s	2777167	65.18
01-142-8232	Ethosuximide 250mg/5ml	Zarontin Syrup 16floz	1623735	48.70
01-188-8072	Ferrous Gluconate 100s	Ferrous Gluconate UD	2110732	1.82
01-189-2071	Etomidate Inj 2mg/ml	Amidate Amp 25s	1687631	67.06
01-206-6005	Ethynodiol & Ethinyl	Demulen 1/35-28 24x28	1247170	60.60
01-232-4633	Prochlorperazine Inj	Prochlorp Syr 5mg/ml	2262921	34.02
01-233-4409	Ethionamide 250mg 100s	Trecator-SC Tabs	1296805	94.46
01-265-0005	Etidronate Disodium Inj	Didronel 300mg 6ml	1461953	244.10
01-272-2381	Etretinate 25mg 30s	Tegison Capsules	2770113	54.62
01-278-1124	Etoposide 50mg 20s	Vepesid Capsules	1395672	397.20
01-281-1249	Famotidine 10mg/ml	Pepcid IV SDV	2799153	16.49
01-310-4178	Famotidine Tabs 20mg	Pepcid UD 100s	2219335	50.29
01-330-6267	*Lactated Ringers 1000ml	Lactated Ringers 12s	L7500 *	7.01
01-330-6268	*Sodium Cl Inj .9% 24s	Sodium Chloride Inj	L8001 *	12.37
01-330-8926	*Sodium Cl .9% for Irrig	Sodium Chloride 16's	R5200-01*	10.25
01-335-9391	Fentanyl Transdermal	Duragesic 100mcg/hr	1889583	84.51
01-346-2053	Ofloxacin 300mg 50's	Floxin Tabs	1804053	50.75
01-364-8557	Promethazine HCl 25mg	Phenergan Tab 100s	1641646	16.77
01-380-7608	Felbamate Tabs 400mg	Felbatol 100s	2235679	34.72
01-381-1663	Felbamate 600mg/5ml	Felbatol Susp 960ml	2283893	165.44
01-382-4328	Etodolac 400mg 100s	Lodine	2452050	67.61
01-407-0381	Griseofulvin 125mg 100s	Gris-Peg 100s	2231538	15.49
01-412-5613	Dihydroergotamine Inj	D.H.E. 1mg 1ml	1624436	63.38
01-432-8996	Triazolam .25mg 10's	Halcion 10s Ct 10	1477280	24.34

Note: "\*" available from MEDSURG PV

Customers who received a 3.5" diskette (dBase III format) from FISC should update their database. Hard copies can also be obtained by calling the Medical Liaison Office at (619) 556-0445/0443.

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## Medical *(continued)*

ERRATA: Thanks to the watchful eyes of Mrs. Josie Blas from the Materials Management Department, Naval Hospital, San Diego. She pointed out the correct NSNs of Pharmaceutical Depot Stocked Items published erroneously on the September 1996 FLASH issue:

<u>NSN</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Price</u>
6505-00-890-1633	Aluminum Acetate Soln Tabs	12.95
6505-00-926-9083	Atropine Inj, Auto Injector	3.89
6505-01-332-1281	Atropine Sulfate Inh. Aerosols 6's	198.53
6505-01-043-6795	Insect Sting Treatment Kit	7.36

Also, Mrs. Blas reported that Hepatitis B Vaccine, 3ml (6505-01-266-3780), is available from Prime Vendor (PV# 3238961) for \$82.69 instead of \$108.03 from the depot. Thanks Josie.

## ODS News...

### Galley Equipment & LPADs

Ref A: MSG CNO 041323Z AUG 95

Ref B: Navy Ozone-Depleting Substance(ODS)

Advisory 96-01A, ODS Supply Support

Ref C: P.L. 102-484/Section 326 of/National

Defense Auth. Act for fiscal year 1993

Ref D: OPNAVINST 5090.1B, Chapter 6, Paragraph 6-5.13

Ref E: NAVSEA Catalog S6161-Q5-CAT-010.

#### Auxiliary Refrigeration Equipment

Class I Ozone-Depleting Substances (ODS) were phased out of production on December 31, 1995. Existing supplies are limited. Navy Mission Critical Applications requiring the use of ODS are supported with the Department of Defense (DoD) ODS Reserve. Reference (A) indicated that shipboard non-mission critical, auxiliary refrigeration equipment (such as galley equipment, medical equipment, or water coolers) containing ODS cannot be supported using material from the DoD ODS Reserve. This message changes policy and authorizes interim support for shipboard non-mission critical, auxiliary refrigeration equipment with ODS reserve material.

All Navy ships are authorized to use material from the DoD ODS reserve to support non-mission critical, auxiliary refrigeration equipment until December 31, 2002. Ships where the main air conditioning and refrigeration equipment has been converted to non-ODS refrigerants will retain access to DoD ODS reserve material for use in non-mission critical, auxiliary refrigeration equipment. Material can be requisitioned from the ODS reserve using procedures in Reference (B).

The ODS reserve is a limited resource. After December 31, 2002, any remaining material requirements shall be met through local sources in accordance with reference (C) requirements.

Coordinate with type commanders, Naval Sea Systems Command, and other subordinate commands as appropriate to ensure:

- TYCOMs and ships develop and execute plans for phased retrofit/replacement of class I ODS non-mission critical, auxiliary refrigeration equipment in accordance with Reference (D).

- TYCOMs and ships consider the limited time period where ships will have access to the DoD ODS reserve for support when executing plans.

- Retrofits or replacements that require planning yard support are included in the current ship's maintenance project (CSMP). Retrofits or replacements that are within ship's force/Intermediate Maintenance Activity (IMA) capability are performed as units fail or when non-rechargeable equipment requires repairs involving refrigerant replacement.

- New procurements of non-mission critical auxiliary refrigeration equipment are in accordance with Reference (D) and use Reference (E) as a resource.

- Ships are fully informed of policy in paragraph 2 and advised of the criticality of appropriate use of ODS reserve material.

Interim authorized use of the DoD ODS reserve to support shipboard non-mission critical, auxiliary refrigeration equipment will allow ships to transition effectively away from class I ODS equipment without impacting operational availability of equipment.

#### Low Pressure Air Dehydrators

Material can be requisitioned from ODS reserve using procedures outlined in Reference (B).

Shipboard low pressure air dehydrators will be converted through programs directed and managed by Commander, Naval Sea Systems Command and Commander, Military Sealift Command.

This information taken from MSGs 091955Z/OCT/96 and 091940Z/OCT/96 both from CNO WASHINGTON DC/N45.

Point of contact for additional information is C. Cyr, OPNAV N4511, (703) 602-5335, DSN 332-5335, CYRC@N4.OPNAV.NAVY.MIL.

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<http://home.navisoft.com/navyzone/>  
(703) 769-1883



San Diego Purchasing Office (SDPO) comes under the management oversight of the Los Angeles Terminal Market Office which is a subordinate command of the Defense Personnel Support Center, Philadelphia. SDPO is the activity responsible for, among other things, providing fresh fruit and vegetables (FF & V) to Navy and Coast Guard ships and bases in the San Diego area. In addition SDPO also provides fresh fruit and vegetable support to surrounding Naval Galleys, Commissaries, MCRD-San Diego, and MCB Camp Pendleton Troop Issue. And most recent the NEXCOM Cafes on all surrounding Naval Stations. Experienced produce buyers make daily trips to the local wholesale produce market to verify quality, availability, and price reasonableness in support of customer requirements.

The San Diego market offers a huge variety of produce virtually year-round. The Federal Supply Catalog Price List, FSC Group 89, C-8900PL, provides a listing of items normally available, but is not all-inclusive. Every effort will be made to procure any fresh fruit and vegetable requirement ordered. If in doubt concerning an item's seasonal availability, ask the SDPO order desk.

## Ordering Procedures

Orders should be placed by calling the SDPO orders desk, (619) 455-1070 directly. Orders are accepted 0700 - 1430, Monday through Friday. SDPO is closed on weekends and government holidays. A minimum lead-time of three working days is required, with delivery occurring on the third working day following order placement. Shorter lead times can be arranged for special circumstances provided coordination is effected with SDPO personnel.

Be prepared to provide the Order Desk Clerk with the following information:

- ☐ Ship name and Unit Identification Code (UIC).
- ☐ Ship location, to include pier and berth number.
- ☐ Required delivery date.
- ☐ The five digit Food Item Code, nomenclature, and quantity of units (normally cases) required.
- ☐ Any special delivery instructions/requirements.

The above procedures are to be used whenever possible. In the event operational necessity precludes telephone order placement with SDPO, a Naval message must be sent to FISC San Diego, Ca., for forwarding to SDPO. Send the message in the format listed above, not in CARGO or milstrip format. Extreme emergency requirements are handled on a case-by-case basis by

contacting the FISC Duty Officer at 556-0421 after working hours.

## Delivery

Pierside delivery is accomplished on required delivery date by a commercial contractor. Exact delivery time is normally not predictable as it is determined by the location and number of ships and stations being supplied that day, but every effort will be made to meet the requested time.

## Seasonal Items...

Seasonal food items are available through contracts, beginning early November, (ie. egg nog, fruit cakes, mixed nuts and other fresh fruit and vegetable products.) Plan your meals and order early to ensure delivery in time for a joyous holiday.

## Appreciation...

Appreciate the outstanding service and flexibility provided during the final week prior to ESSEX' deployment. The staff of FISC San Diego went above and beyond the call of duty to help ESSEX fulfill emergent requirements critical to a successful departure.

Special thanks to Pat Sutherland in Subsistence, Tyson Penn, Bob Primrose, Sandra Tafolla, and Tressie McNeal in Purchasing and SK1 Janice Lail in Customer Service. Your efforts are directly responsible for ESSEX departing homeport exceptionally well prepared for the intensive operations associated with a six month WESTPAC. BZ for your time, effort, and flexibility

SUPPO, USS ESSEX

# Whole Room Procurement Catalog Hits the Fleet

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ALEXANDRIA, Va. (NWSA)

-- Due to Naval Facilities Engineering Command's (NAVFACENGCOM) ongoing effort to streamline programs while providing cost-effective services to all customers, Sailors throughout the Navy will benefit from a new way for their commands to procure furniture and furnishings for bachelor housing.

Navy commands are now receiving the new whole room catalog. It comes with a videotape explaining the new procurement concept for everything from carpet to light-fixtures for Navy bachelor housing. Distribution of the catalog and videotape should be complete by the end of the fiscal year.

The Navy is the first service to use the NAVFACENGCOM/General Services Administration designed whole-room procurement system, in which all essential furnishings are

matched and packaged as a unit. Everything from furniture and matching furnishings to wall coverings and artwork are coordinated as a single unit and can be ordered as one item under one stock number.

The catalog provides selections of a wide range of furniture styles that can be purchased as a group to revitalize existing facilities or guide new projects with high quality, coordinated selections at the best value.

Designed with an eye toward carefully coordinated color palettes, the catalog aims to enhance Sailors' quality of life, as well as simplify

the procurement process. The vendor can provide on-site management of delivery, staging and installation of the whole room.

According to Debbie Kadjeski, policy development analyst for NAVFACENGCOM's Bachelor Housing Program Management Office, this program will be very successful in supporting the Navy's efforts to provide bachelor housing that is attractive and comfortable and saves money at the same time.

"Our cost analysis study shows a savings to the Navy of \$900,000 over the first five years," Kadjeski said. "That savings comes from time savings in the procurement process."

According to Kadjeski, the whole-room procurement program is gaining popularity with all military services. "It is anticipated that the other services will come on board with the program at some time in the future. But, for now, we are the only ones doing it."

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## 1996 Holiday Mailing Deadlines

Courtesy of Air Force News Agency, Kelly Air Force Base, Texas

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (NWSA) -- Officials with the DOD

Military Postal Service Agency announced recently the 1996 holiday mailing deadlines for mail to and from overseas post offices.

Deadlines for mail from overseas military post offices to addresses in the continental United States are:

- Space Available Mail (SAM): Dec. 2 - Priority Parcels: Dec. 4
- First Class Letters: Dec. 11 Deadlines for mail sent from stateside locations to APO/FPOs are:
- Surface: Nov. 1;
- Space Available Mail (SAM): Europe - Nov. 22, Pacific - Nov. 24;
- Parcel Airlift Mail (PAL): Europe - Nov. 22, Pacific - Nov. 24;
- Priority Parcels: Europe - Dec. 2, Alaska - Dec. 3, Pacific - Dec. 4;
- First Class Letters: Europe - Dec. 2, Pacific - Dec. 4.

Contact your local post office for more information regarding mailing packages to overseas locations.



## PRIME Supports Report to Congress

Deeply concerned about impending changes in Navy plastic/solid waste requirements, the U.S. Congress has directed the Navy to report on "Shipboard Plastic and Solid Waste Management" by November 1996. Under current law, the Navy's surface ships will have to be fully compliant with the MARPOL 73/78 treaty by 1999-only three short years away. One important section of the treaty defines "Special Areas" where only food wastes can be discharged. When operating in the Special Areas, Navy Ships will have to observe "zero discharge" waste practices to be in compliance with the international agreement.

A number of strategies for waste management under zero discharge are under consideration. However, any strategy will involve a much higher degree of waste retention than is currently practiced by the Navy. Until now, no one has investigated the practical limits to waste retention aboard ship, or more importantly, the effects of such a policy on the crew and vessel.

The PRIME Program Office was tasked by the Chief of Naval Operations to conduct a study to document how ships institute zero discharge in a real-life operational setting. Under the terms of this study, ships in the USS GEORGE WASHINGTON Battle Group bound for Bosnia were placed under "zero discharge" restrictions while study teams observed ship's operations. Besides monitoring the logistical aspects of storing all solid waste (except food), the study teams surveyed officers and crew to determine the effects of zero discharge on operational performance and quality of life issues.

The PRIME Program Manager has assembled study teams composed of trained garbage researchers from the University of Arizona, representatives of the Operational Test and Evaluation Force to observe effects of operational suitability, and engineers from technical support contractor, Veda Incorporated, to supply program management and video support.

## Plastics Waste Processor

The Navy has spent \$22.5 million developing the Plastics Waste Processor (PWP) which compresses and sanitizes plastic waste for on board storage. This also helps solve a big odor problem when storing food-contaminated plastics. The operational tests and evaluation of plastics processors were complete on the aircraft carrier, USS GEORGE WASHINGTON (CVN-73) in November 1994. The processor was approved for full production in January 1995. The Navy's request for proposals (RFP) to manufacture the plastics processor should be completed on schedule in 1998. The Navy will spend hundreds of millions of dollars to outfit about 200 ships with plastics processors.

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## Native American Heritage Month

November is designated as Native American Heritage Month.

As the original inhabitants of the territories that now constitute the United States, Native Americans have made significant and unique contributions of the development of this nation. In the military, they have defended freedom and served with distinction. From the Revolutionary War to Desert Storm, Native Americans have answered the call to duty. Today, Native Americans continue to serve in defense of their nation as they have so proudly and gallantly done in the past.

This is an ideal occasion to thank and honor all native americans for their contributions to their country and corps. Commanders are encouraged to acknowledge the achieve-

ments and contributions of Native Americans, military and civilian, as an integral part of this nation's defense team by conducting, and encouraging participation in observance events. Participation in local community programs is highly encouraged.

# Virtual Servmart

## Proof of Concept Draft

### Objective

- ☐ Provide FISC's customers consumable requirements in a fast and efficient manner that meets or exceeds modern commercial practices.
- ☐ Holistic view of process - Stakeholders
  - Customer End User
  - Customer's Command
  - Servmart Operation
  - GSA, DLA, UNICOR, NIB/NISH
  - Procurement
  - Comptroller
  - Vendor(s)

## Virtual Servmart Concept

- ☐ Replace physical storefront with a just-in-time (JIT) delivery and electronic data interface (EDI) system to meet customer consumable item requirements.
- ☐ Customer places order by 1700 and receives order NLT 1500 the following day.
- ☐ Best in commodity group JIT vendors supply high velocity low cost commodities associated with Servmart.
- ☐ Items from different JIT vendors consolidated at crossdock facility and then delivered directly to customer.

## Virtual Servmart - Benefits

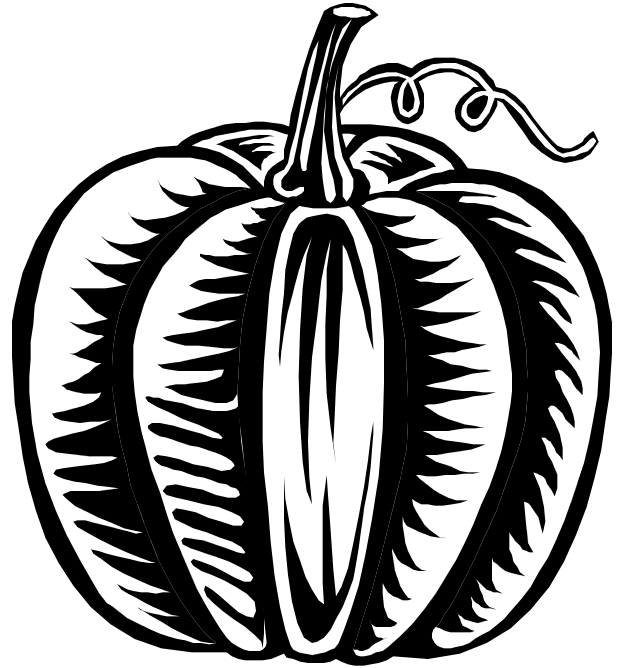
### Cost Savings

- Inventory Carrying
- Loss, Damage Obsolescence
- Customer Stockpiling
- Facilities
- Transportation
- Transaction
- Labor

### Service Improvement

- Increased Sales
- Increased Selection
- Convenience
- Reliability
- Customer Focus vice Operation Focus

*Happy Halloween, October 31!*



*Watch out for ghosts and goblins!*

## Communicate Clearly!!!

Ask clear questions. Offer clear instructions. Don't assume. Otherwise you may find yourself in the kind of situation reported by author Cheryl Hamilton.

A new hire at a large corporation tentatively approached the paper shredder. It was obvious that she was confused by the equipment and was offered help by a senior employee.

"I can't figure out how this works," said the new employee.

"Nothing to it," said the other, taking a thick report from her and passing it through the shredder. "See what I mean?"

"That's fine," said the newcomer, "but how does the machine know how many copies to make?"

(Cheryl Hamilton, *Communicating for Results*, Wadsworth Publishing Co., 10 Davis Dr., Belmont, CA 94002)

# Customer In the Spotlight

## Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit THREE

EOD in the United States was an outgrowth of the bitter experience of the British at the beginning of the World War II. When the Germans, with their air power, began a demoralizing campaign against the British Isles. Tons of highly complex and dangerous mines and bombs containing unusually large explosive charges were dropped. About one-tenth of the mines and bombs were purposely fused, not to detonate until from one to eighty hours later. At the height of the Blitz, more than 2200 separate areas within the city of London were evacuated due to the unexploded bombs. In addition, large numbers of sea mines were washing ashore on Britain's beaches.

Faced with the urgent need to recover and dispose of tremendous amount of unexploded ordnance that was disrupting their war effort, the British formed the first Mine and Bomb Disposal Squads.

As a result of the British experience, the first U.S. Naval Mine Disposal School was established at the Naval Gun Factory, Washington, DC in May 1941. The Bomb Disposal School was established the following year in January 1942, in the corner of the American University Campus, Washington, DC.

The accomplishments of the U.S. Mine and Bomb Disposal personnel trained at these schools during the World War II are a matter of record. There seemed to be no limit to what these men could do in their fields. Mine and Bomb Disposal teams provided detailed information on Japanese torpedoes after a series of recoveries beginning at Pearl Harbor. Depth charges and mines menacing navigation were recovered or countermined in numerous heroic feats. Crashed planes and torpedoed freighters were recovered. U.S. Mine and Bomb Disposal men were among the first to land on European and Pacific Objectives, quickly clearing channels, harbors and captured air fields of mines, dud bombs, projectiles and booby traps.

During the phase-down period following World War II, the U.S. Navy consolidated its Mine and Bomb Disposal units into a single Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Program. In 1953 two major operational EOD units were commissioned in order to provide EOD services to the fleets. The Pacific Fleet EOD assets were organized to EOD Group ONE and the Atlantic Fleet EOD assets to EOD Group TWO.

Today, Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit THREE provides qualified operational personnel for EOD elements and services to conduct explosive ordnance disposal, diving, demolition, Marine Mammal System Operations and mine countermeasure operations and exercises in support of the Commander THIRD Fleet.

Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit THREE stands proud of its accomplishments. EODMU THREE is commanded by CDR Dan M. Renwick assisted by Executive Officer LCDR John E. Coster. CW03 Ernie Austria is the Supply Officer, BMCS (SW/EOD) Blair Schuchman, SKC (SW) Armando Gabriel and SK1 Bob Lucin are his assistants.

### Putting Yourself "In the Spotlight"

Would you like to see your ship or shore station in the Spotlight? We are actively recruiting supply officers to write one page biographies on their activities. This is a good way to get publicity for your activity. Submit activity biographies to Gloria M. Ewing, Code 071, 532-1442.

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